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[Stratford, CT]

1923-1924?

154 California St
Stratford Conn
Feb 18/23

Mr Howland Wood,
Secty. Am. Numismatic Society

Dear Sir:

Probably there are 99 chances out of 100 that the enclosed clipping is "ancient history" to you long before this, but I will enclose it all the same, as I noticed in the introduction to the catalog that you just sent that the whereabouts of only one of the confederate half dollars was known (The Brooklyn N.Y. one) up to the time the catalog was gotten out.

I notice that coin dealers and your catalogue list their N.J. Colonials according to "Maris". I would like to know if "Maris on N.J. Cents" is an expensive book or not, and is it still in print?

I also note that your catalog numbers the big copper cents from 1816 to 1857 according to "Andrews". I should also like to know about this authority.

Yours truly,
John M. Richardson.

February 27th, 1923

Mr. John M. Richardson
154 California Street
Stratford, Conn.

Dear Sir:

Very many thanks for your letter of February 18th. I will follow up the Confederate half-dollars as a matter of record but have no hope that it is a genuine one as hundreds of restrikes were made, and many of the holders of these think that they have the original piece.

The book by Maris on New Jersey Colonial coins is very scarce. The same also with Andrews' book on Our Cents. These, however, can be picked up now and then. You might write to A. A. Love (Box 495, Syracuse, N.Y.) who oftentimes has coin books for sale. Also, some of the dealers may have these books, a list of whom I am enclosing.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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154 California St.,
Stratford, Conn.
March 15/25.

Mr Howland Wood,
Curator,
Am Numismatic Society.

Dear Sir:- Some days ago I wrote regarding the addition pages for the "State Coinages of New England". The pamphlet came promptly and I was very glad to receive it, but no letter came in connection with it, stating the price you get for these additional pages. If you will tell me the price I shall be glad to remit it at once.

Yours truly,
John M. Richardson

March 18th, 1924

Mr. John M. Richardson
154 California Street
Stratford, Conn.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your communication of March 15th, I have forwarded your letter together with the rubbings to Mr. Hillyer Ryder, as I feel sure the matter will interest him and that he will write you in due course.

Very truly yours,

Curator